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For: SPONGE CLOTH BASED ON CELLULOSE  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 28, 2004 (Paper No. 20041221), finally rejecting claims 1-5, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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